

REMARKS

The following issues are outstanding in the Office Action:

- Claim 18 is objected to;
- The reissue oath/declaration is defective; and
- Claims 7-13 and 18-21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 251.

Claim Objection

The disclosure is objected to because of an informality in claim 18, line 15. The language of “in a the wave-zone” has been amended to recite “in the wave-zone”. Applicant respectfully asserts that this amendment is not directed to the allowability of this claim.

Oath/Declaration

The reissue oath/declaration was found to be defective because it failed to identify at least one error which is relied upon to support the reissue application. A new declaration, signed by both inventors, is submitted with this response in which another error is set forth as being corrected.

Claims Rejection

Claims 7-13 and 18-21 have been rejected as being based upon an insufficient reissue oath/declaration under 35 USC 251. A supplemental reissue oath/declaration under 37 CFR 1.175(b)(1), signed by both inventors, is submitted with this response.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully asserts that all reissue requirements have now been met. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to reissue.

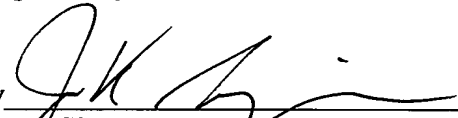
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Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 06-2375, under Order No. 09804782 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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